Mr. Karnic Krishnamurti Rao.—The Amildar should not be the President. Delegation of powers to the Vice-President may be carefully done.

Second Member of Council.—It is not possible to deviate from the existing practice. The Amildar should be the President of the Municipality, but all the powers possible will be delegated to the Vice-President.

Mr. Rasool Khan.—As the Local Self-Government Scheme is in force, the President for Chikmagalur may be elected as in the Bangalore City Municipal Council. If this is not possible, the Deputy Commissioner may be made the President.

Dewan.—The matter will be considered.

SUBJECT No. 164.

Holding of a Local Self-Government Conference once in two years.

Mr. V. Rangaswami Iyengar, Seringapatam Municipality.

Mr. V. Rangaswamy Iyengar.—The Local Self-Government scheme is closely followed in the conduct of Local and Municipal Boards. A lot of difficulty is experienced in the working of the scheme. A Local Self-Government Conference may be held at least once in two years to remedy the defects noticed, solve the difficulties brought to light and systematise the working of the scheme.

Dewan.—The Municipalities of Bangalore and Mysore should do this work.

Mr. Karnic Krishnamurti Rao.—Government should organise the Conference.

Mr. Krishna Sastry.—As in Madras, Government should arrange for the Conference.

Second Member of Council.—Let the Municipal Councils of Bangalore and Mysore pass Resolutions and submit the same to Government with their recommendations and Government will give them all possible help.

SUBJECT No. 165.

Right of Government servants to vote at elections.

Mr. C. Rasul Khan, Anjuman-e-Islamia, Chikmagalur.

Mr. Rasool Khan.—Though the member selected by the non-officials by a large majority becomes very popular, yet his election will fail if the votes of the officials too are taken into consideration. There should therefore be a rule that Government servants should not vote at any of the elections.

Second Member of Council.—Generally Government servants are *ex-officio* members of the Municipality.

Mr. G. Paramasivaiya.—Government officers should be prohibited from voting during elections. Some restrictions have been placed on Government servants. They cannot trade, etc. When a Government servant votes for one, it is the custom that the others follow suit.

Mr. Abbas Khan.—*Ex-officio* Municipal Councillors should not vote for the election of President and Vice-President of Municipal Councils.

Second Member of Council.—There are two points in this, *viz.*, (i) in Municipal elections, Government servants should not vote. We cannot prevent this, because they exercise their votes as citizens; (ii) *ex-officio* Government servants should not vote or stand for election. You want them not to be allowed to vote in the elections of President and Vice-President. There are practical difficulties in granting this request. All the same, Government will consider the question.

SUBJECT No. 166.

Deputation of members to District Boards from Municipalities.

Messrs. Gopalaiya, Holalkere Taluk and Phaniyachar, Hosdurga Taluk.

Mr. Gopalaiya.—One member from each taluk head-quarter municipality may be deputed to the District Board as such municipalities have at times to apply either to the District Board or Government for funds whenever they are in need of money for Improvement Works.

Second Member of Council.—The number of members of District Boards is already large. If each municipality were to send members to District Boards, the number will still be larger. The work of Municipalities and that of District Boards is quite different. I do not see the advantage or use of sending a member from Municipalities to District Boards. According to the Municipal Regulation, there is representation on the District Board from head quarter municipalities and municipalities with a population of 7,500 and over.

SUBJECT No. 167.

Appointments of Shanbhogs as Taluk Board Members.

Messrs. K. M. Krishnappa, N. D. Nagappaiya, Hole-Narsipur Taluk and K. Naranappa, Hole-Narsipur Municipality.

Mr. K. M. Krishnappa.—All patels are eligible for being appointed as Taluk Board Members in consideration of their being Patels irrespective of the amount of *kandayam* they pay. Similar concessions may be extended to Shanbhogs.

Second Member of Council.—The matter will be enquired into.

SUBJECT No. 168.

Repairs to Local Fund Roads.

Mr. C. Srinivasa Rao, Kadur District Board.

A general policy with regard to the Local Fund roads may be declared by Government as the small allotment for repairs provided by the District Board is